

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**CORRECTED  
FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**HB 676 – SB 1085**

March 17, 2013

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Requires the Registry of Election Finance; the Tennessee Ethics Commission; the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance; the State Election Commission; the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations; the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation Board of Directors; and the State Capital Commission to provide video streaming of its meetings and to archive such videos on its web site. Authorizes such entities to use the public hearing rooms in the Legislative Plaza if video streaming is not otherwise available to such entity.

**CORRECTED FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:**

Increase State Revenue – Exceeds \$13,400/Office for Information Resources  
Exceeds \$4,000/Office of Legislative Administration

Decrease State Revenue – Exceeds \$1,800/Lottery for Education Account

Increase State Expenditures – Net Impact - Exceeds \$15,600

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004356):** Requires the State Funding Board to provide video streaming of its meetings and to archive such videos on the Comptroller of the Treasury's web site. Authorizes the State Funding Board to use the public hearing rooms in the Legislative Plaza if video streaming is not otherwise available to such entity.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

On March 12, 2013, a fiscal memorandum was issued estimating a fiscal impact as follows:

*Unchanged from the corrected fiscal note.*

*Based on additional information from the Comptroller of the Treasury's office, that fiscal memorandum was incorrect. The estimated fiscal impact of the bill as amended is as follows:*

**(CORRECTED)**

Increase State Revenue – Exceeds \$13,700/Office for Information Resources  
Exceeds \$4,000/Office of Legislative Administration

Decrease State Revenue – Exceeds \$1,800/Lottery for Education Account

Increase State Expenditures – Net Impact - Exceeds \$15,900

**HB 676 – SB 1085 (CORRECTED)**


Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The fiscal impact of this bill is dependent upon several unknown factors such as the number of meetings that will be held each year, the length of each meeting, the number of archived videos on each entities website, where the meetings would be held and the number of microphones needed.
- If the meetings are held in the public hearing rooms in the Legislative Plaza there will be a cost for the House and Senate Clerk's Office for staff time, depreciation in equipment, and bandwidth. Estimate assumes a cost of \$100 per hour to provide video streaming. Assuming there are at least 20 meetings per year lasting approximately two hours, there will be a recurring cost of at least \$4,000 (\$100 x 20 meetings x 2 hours).
- According to the Secretary of State's office, the Registry of Election Finance, the Tennessee Ethics Commission, and the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance would not be available to use the public hearing rooms in Legislative Plaza because of the normal meeting schedules of these entities; by statute, part of the Ethics Commission meetings are confidential; on occasion, members participate by telephone; and access to a copy and fax machine are needed during meetings.
- The meetings for these three entities will be video streamed by OIR. OIR would provide the equipment and personnel at a cost of \$370 per meeting. The average length of such meetings is two hours and there are approximately 20 meetings per year. The recurring costs for these three entities to have their meetings video streamed would be \$7,400 (\$370 per meeting x 20 meetings).
- Each entity would be required to post archived videos on its respective website. OIR charges three dollars per month per gigabyte for storing data on the Internet. Each hour of data takes approximately one gigabyte of memory. The costs for storing data would increase each month as more past meetings are archived. The estimated cost for data storage for each entity is estimated at \$1,000 per year for a total of \$6,000 (\$1,000 x 6).
- Of the total meetings that will be held in the public hearing rooms of the Legislative Plaza, four will be meetings of the Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation (TELC) Board of Directors at a cost of \$800 (\$100 x 4 meetings x 2 hours). A decrease in lottery proceeds to the Lottery for Education Accounts is \$1,800 (\$800 for video streaming + \$1,000 for data storage).
- According to the Comptroller of the Treasury (COT), State Funding Board meetings relative to revenue estimating are currently video streamed and archived on the Comptroller of the Treasury's website. The proposed amendment will not change the current practice for these meetings.
- According to the COT, there will be at least one meeting a year that the State Funding Board has that cannot be held in the public hearing rooms of the Legislative Plaza due to the lack of available rooms. These meetings will be held in the Executive Conference Room (ECR) in the Capitol or in some alternate location. OIR charges approximately \$300 per meeting to video stream meetings from the ECR resulting in an increase in expenditures of at least \$300 per meeting.
- OIR will make the video recordings of any State Funding Board meeting that is held in the ECR available to the COT so that the video can be archived on the State Funding Board's website.

- Each entity that holds a public hearing will be charged by Legislative Administration or OIR for the cost of each meeting. Therefore, the estimated increase in expenditures of \$17,700 to the named entities will result in a corresponding increase in revenue to Legislative Administration and OIR.
- The State Funding Board meetings regarding revenue estimations are currently video streamed and archived on the Comptroller of the Treasury's website. The proposed amendment will not change the current practice of the Board regarding these types of meetings.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lucian D. Geise', written in a cursive style.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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